GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH <u>ABSTRACT</u>

Public Services – PR&RD – Allegations of irregularities in drilling of bore wells in Khammam District - Sri G. Veera Pratap, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam now i/c Chief Engineer, RWS&S, NORMAL and SVS works – Disciplinary proceedings under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 – Article of charges – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.IA) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 1493 . Dated:24.09.2013

ORDER:

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri G. Veera Pratap, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam now i/c Chief Engineer, RWS&S, NORMAL and SVS works, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991.

- 2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charges (Annexure-I). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom, the article of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-II and III).
- 3. Sri G. Veera Pratap, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam now i/c Chief Engineer, RWS&S, NORMAL and SVS works, is directed to submit within ten (10) days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of his defence.
- 4. Sri G. Veera Pratap, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam now i/c Chief Engineer, RWS&S, NORMAL and SVS works, is informed that an enquiry will be held only in respect of article of those charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny article of charge.
- 5. Sri G. Veera Pratap, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam now i/c Chief Engineer, RWS&S, NORMAL and SVS works, is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the period specified in Para 3 above or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 or the orders / directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold the inquiry against him ex-parte.
- 6. Sri G. Veera Pratap, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam now i/c Chief Engineer, RWS&S, NORMAL and SVS works, is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that Sri G. Veera Pratap, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam now i/c Chief Engineer, RWS&S, NORMAL and SVS works, is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.
- 7. The receipt of this G.O. shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

VIKAS RAJ SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (RWS&S)

То

Sri G. Veera Pratap, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam now i/c Chief Engineer, RWS&S, NORMAL and SVS works, Hyderabad through the Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Hyderabad.

(P.T.O.)

The Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Hyderabad.

(in duplicate with a request to serve and return the dated acknowledgement copy)

Copy to:
The PR&RD (Estt.I) Department.

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ANNEXURE-I

(Annexure to G.O.Rt.No. 1493 , PR&RD (Vig.IA) Dept., dt.24.09.2013)

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES AGAINST SRI G. VEERA PRATAP, THE THEN SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, KHAMMAM NOW I/C CHIEF ENGINEER, RWS&S, NORMAL & SVS WORKS.

CHARGE:

That Sri G. Veera Pratap, the then Superintending Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District has allowed to participate the firms in tenders even though no registration as per WALTA ACT 2004 and also issued tender schedules without accompanying with EMD. Thus, he violated the tender conditions.

Basis:

As per Lr.No.AEE1/DEEIII/01/BWs drilling dt.14.05.2013, the CE, Vig & QC reported that Sri G. Veera Pratap, Superintending Engineer has allowed two firms namely (1) M/s. Sri Venkata Lakshmi Prasanna Bore wells, Palwancha, (2) M/s. Sri Chaitanya Bore Wells, Julurupadu, to participate in the tenders though no registration as per WALTA ACT 2004. He has also issued tender schedules to the bidders though the applications were not accompanied with EMD. He allowed participating the agencies in the tender without verification of diameter of drilling of the agencies with GWD as per WALTA ACT, 2004 violating the tender conditions. Thus, he failed to follow the rules in vogue. Being a district authority, he should not act like that. From this, it is evident that he has shown gross negligence towards his legitimate duties and failed in supervision and violated Rule (3) of A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Hence, the charge.

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ANNEXURE-II

(Annexure to G.O.Rt.No. 1493 , PR&RD (Vig.IA) Dept., dt.24.09.2013)

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED AGAINST SRI G. VEERA PRATAP, THE THEN SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, KHAMMAM NOW I/C CHIEF ENGINEER, RWS&S, NORMAL & SVS WORKS.

Lr. No.AEE1/DEEIII/01/BWs drilling dt.14.05.2013 of the Chief Engineer, Vig & QC, Hyderabad.

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ANNEXURE-III

(Annexure to G.O.Rt.No. 1493 , PR&RD (Vig.IA) Dept., dt.24.09.2013)

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED AGAINST SRI G. VEERA PRATAP, THE THEN SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, KHAMMAM NOW I/C CHIEF ENGINEER, RWS&S, NORMAL & SVS WORKS.

- NIL -

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